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Dear Sir:

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.111, 1.112, 1.121**

This is a response to an Office Action mailed June 1, 2005.

**a. Introductory Comments**

Claims 1 – 22 were pending and rejected in the Office Action under 35 U.S.C. 103(a).

Herein, Applicants amend claims 1, 2, 6, 13, 14, and 15; cancel claims 4 – 5; and add new claims 23 – 24.

Applicants request reconsideration.